

**CHAPTER NO. 817**

**SENATE BILL NO. 2596**

**By Burks, Davis**

**Substituted for: House Bill No. 2377**

**By Winningham, White**

AN ACT To name a bridge in Jackson County in honor of the late James U.L. Scott.

WHEREAS, Since the birth of our great nation, hundreds of thousands of brave American men and women have served their country in the United States Armed Forces and many continue this legacy of service today, defending the most inviolate principles of human freedom and democracy; and

WHEREAS, This meritorious service continues the time-honored tradition of Tennessee volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, the intrepid and valiant members of the United States Armed Forces have continued to inspire our confidence, loyalty and support; and

WHEREAS, James U.L. Scott of Jackson County made the ultimate sacrifice of his life in service of his country, while fighting to protect our individual and collective freedoms; and

WHEREAS, The previous bridge that spanned the Roaring River on State Route 53 north of Gainesboro in Jackson County was replaced by a new bridge several years ago; this new bridge has yet to be named; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Commission has requested that this new bridge be named to honor the memory of James U.L. Scott, one of the finest citizens Jackson County has ever produced and a courageous soldier who gave his life, so that we might enjoy the many bounties of democracy and the American way of life; and

WHEREAS, This General Assembly most heartily concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:**

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the new bridge spanning the Roaring River on State Route 53 north of Gainesboro in Jackson County is hereby designated as the "James U.L. Scott Memorial Bridge", as a lasting tribute to this native son who gave his life for the preservation of American freedom.

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such bridge in Jackson County as the "James U.L. Scott Memorial Bridge".

SECTION 3. The erection of such directional signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.


SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the Federal Highway Administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of

this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

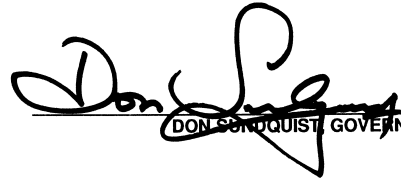
SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: June 19, 2002**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 2002**

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR